

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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Response Due Date: February 3, 2010

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Reference:

30-Day Post-Runoff Election Report (10/15/09 - 11/23/09)

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action. Additional information is needed for the following 3 items:

- 1. Your report contains incorrect Column B figures for Lines 6(a), 6(b), 6(c), 7(a), 7(c), 11(a)(iii), 11(c), 11(e), 16, 17, 20(a), 20(d), 21 and 22 of the Summary and Detailed Summary Page information. When aggregating and reporting receipts and disbursements, candidate committees are required to disclose their activity on an election-cycle basis, from 11/4/08 to 11/2/10. Please amend your report to show election cycle-to-date figures for all aggregate amounts. (2 U.S.C. § 434(b))
- 2. Your report discloses \$1,208.94 from Contra Costa County in Other Receipts on Line 15, Column A, of the Detailed Summary Page. However, your report does not include a memo text detailing the nature of this offset. Please be advised that if there are not corresponding expenditures for these entries, it may constitute an excessive or prohibited contribution. Please amend your report to provide an explanation for this entry. (11 CFR § 104.3(a)(4)(v))
- 3. Schedule A of your report indicates that your committee may have failed to file one or more of the required 48 hour notices regarding "last minute" contributions received by your committee after the close of books for the 12-Day Pre-Runoff Election report (see attached). A principal campaign